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SUBJECT: DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES FOR NIGERIANS  
IN US

REFS: LAGOS 0216 AND DEPT'S 281960

1. USUN MISOFF INFORMED COUNS ALLISON OF UN NIGERIAN MISSION  
MID-DEC THAT DEPT WOULD RECONSIDER ON INDIVIDUAL BASES REQUESTS  
FOR DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES FOR DIPLOMATIC  
MEMBERS OF NIGERIAN MISSION WHO DO NOT MEET CRITERION OF  
HOLDING DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS IF MISSION WOULD SUBMIT NOTE  
EXPLAINING WHY EACH DOES NOT MEET THIS CRITERION.  
MISOFF PARTICULARLY REFERRED TO THE THREE ADMINISTRATIVE  
ATTACHES WHO WERE DENIED DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES  
IN AUGUST FOR LACK OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS.

2. ON JANUARY 12, ALLISON TELEPHONED MISOFF RE POSSIBILITY  
OF DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES FOR NEW MISSION MEMBER,  
SULYMAN MAINA, SECOND SECY (FINANCE), WHO DOES NOT HAVE  
DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT. MISOFF REMINDED ALLISON NOTE EXPLAINING  
REASON FOR LACK OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT WOULD BE NEEDED.  
NOTE RECEIVED JAN 12 WHICH EXPLAINED THAT MAINA IS MEMBER  
OF TREASURY, SERVING IN FOREIGN MINISTRY AS AN ACCOUNTANT,  
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AND HAS OFFICIAL PASSPORT "TO DISTINGUISH HIM FROM CAREER  
DIPLOMATS." THIS EXPLANATION SATISFACTORY AND REQUEST FOR  
DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES APPROVED.

3. MISOFF TOOK ADVANTAGE OF JAN 12 CALL TO REMIND ALLISON  
WE HAD NOT RECEIVED NOTES RE THREE ADMINISTRATIVE ATTACHES  
(PARA 1). ALLISON REPLIED MISSION STILL THINKING ABOUT THEIR

SITUATION AND SAID CASE OF MAINA MORE IMPORTANT AT MOMENT.

4. TO RECAP: REQUEST FOR PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES FOR  
THREE OFFICERS AT NIGERIAN MISSION IN NY STILL SUBJECT TO  
REVIEW BECAUSE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION NOT YET SUBMITTED.  
AS STATED IN PARA 2 REFTTEL B, DEPT HAS TAKEN FAVORABLE ACTION  
ON ALL REQUESTS FOR DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES  
FOR MEMBERS OF NIGERIAN EMB.  
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